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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Rhonda Tigner, Agent Green River Water Disposal, LLC 5 Pepsi Drive P.O. Box 790 Red Lodge, Montana 59068

Re: Underground Injection Control (UIC)
Notice of Violation:
Loss of Mechanical Integrity
Dirty Devil Unit 14-10 Well
EPA Permit ID # UT20519-02118
API # 43-047-30566
Dirty Devil Oil Field
Uintah County, Utah

Dear Ms. Tigner:

On July 15, 2015, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) learned by way of email that the Green River Water Disposal, LLC injection well referenced above lost mechanical integrity on June 10, 2015. Pursuant to Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations Section 144.28(f)(2) (40 C.F.R. § 144.28(f)(2)), you must establish and maintain mechanical integrity. A loss of mechanical integrity is a violation of this requirement.

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 144.28(f)(3), you must immediately cease injection into this well. Before injection may resume, you must demonstrate that the well has mechanical integrity by passing a mechanical integrity test (MIT). You must also receive written authorization from the EPA.

Your notification of the loss of mechanical integrity included a description of what action you intend to take regarding the well. It is expected that you will return this well to compliance within ninety (90) days of the loss of mechanical integrity. Additionally, pursuant to Part II, Section A.5 of your permit, you shall provide all records of the well workover and subsequent test data, including the required mechanical integrity test, to the EPA within sixty (60) days of completion of the activity.

If you choose to plug and abandon this well, a plugging and abandonment plan must be submitted to the EPA for approval prior to the plugging operation.

Failure to comply with UIC regulations found at 40 C.F.R. Parts 144 and 146 constitutes one or more violations of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300h. Such non-compliance may subject you to formal enforcement by the EPA, as codified at 40 C.F.R. Part 22.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, you may contact Gary Wang at (303) 312-6469. Please direct all correspondence to the attention of Gary Wang at Mail Code 8ENF-UFO.

Sincerely,

Arturo Palomares, Director

Water Technical Enforcement Program Office of Enforcement, Compliance

and Environmental Justice

cc: Honorable Shaun Chapoose, Chairman, Ute Indian Tribe Edred Secakuku, Vice Chairman, Ute Indian Tribe Reannin Tapoof, Executive Assistant, Ute Indian Tribe Manuel Myore, Director of Energy, Minerals and Air Programs Brad Hill, Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining